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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Questions for Chairman Gore's use in Briefing of the
Disarmament Subcommittee of the Senate Foreign
Relations Committee

1. In a meeting with Mr. James Lowenstein, on the staff of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, he advised that questions in the following areas of interest are being prepared for Chairman Gore's use next Wednesday:

- a. Soviet military spending in proportion to U. S. spending;
- b. breakdown of Soviet military budget;
- c. rate of spending;
- d. [REDACTED]
- e. Soviet MIRV testing;
- f. American and Soviet MIRV detection capabilities;
- g. SS-9 production rate; SS-9 deployment rate, present and future;
- h. Soviet countermeasures against the Polaris;
- i. CIA views of the present balance of political forces in Soviet leadership and how the Agency views the future;
- j. Is the military leadership going to increase its power and take over from the Party or is Brezhnev and company going to be able to keep the upper hand and continue Party control of Soviet affairs.

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2. Mr. Lowenstein noted that Chairman Gore's principal interest is to determine what new intelligence or other determinations occurred between the time of the JCS approval of the Sentinel program and the JCS approval of Safeguard. The foregoing has been passed on to [REDACTED] in the office of OCI/DDI.

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